



CITY OF LODI COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

AGENDA TITLE: Presentation of Proclamation Recognizing Preparation of Plans and Specifications for Grape Bowl ADA Improvement Project by University of Pacific Students

MEETING DATE: May 4, 2011

PREPARED BY: Public Works Director

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Presentation of proclamation recognizing preparation of plans and specifications for Grape Bowl ADA improvement project by University of Pacific students.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: On January 5, 2011, the City Council approved the selection of phased improvement Option Three for modifications to the Grape Bowl Stadium, bringing it into compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) requirements. On February 16, 2011, the City Council approved the amended Americans with Disabilities Act Transition Plan.


In November 2010, three University of the Pacific students, Shannon Barcal, Margaret Wild, and Matthew Lemmon, approached the City requesting ideas for a project within the City that might satisfy requirements of their civil design course. This course's curriculum, available to seniors only, requires that teams be formed to perform the design, prepare plans, and write specifications for the selected project. The selected project was the Grape Bowl Stadium ADA Improvements Project Option Three – Phase 1.

In January 2011, work on the project commenced with a completion deadline of April 29, 2011. The project team quickly completed the preliminary design and moved on to preparation of final plans and specifications. The grading plans were completed by April 2011 and facilitated the acceleration of grading to provide fill material for the City's Surface Water Treatment Plant project.

This senior project saved the City significant design costs (estimated to be \$100,000), accelerated the completion of the plans and specifications (estimated to be three to six months) and saved the City the cost of tree removal, demolition, and dirt removal by partnering with the water plant project (estimated to be \$250,000).


FISCAL IMPACT: None for the proclamation but recognition that these students saved Lodi citizens more than \$100,000 in design costs for the Grape Bowl.

FUNDING AVAILABLE: Limited funds for the Grape Bowl leveraged to advance this important community project.


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APPROVED:


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